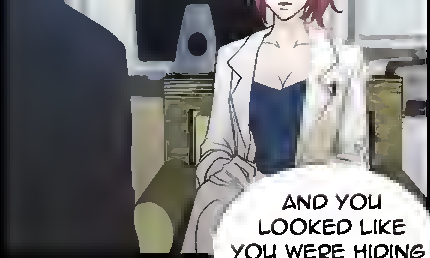
I SEE... JUST AS I THOUGHT.

I'VE HAD MY SUSPICIONS SINCE SOME TIME AGO

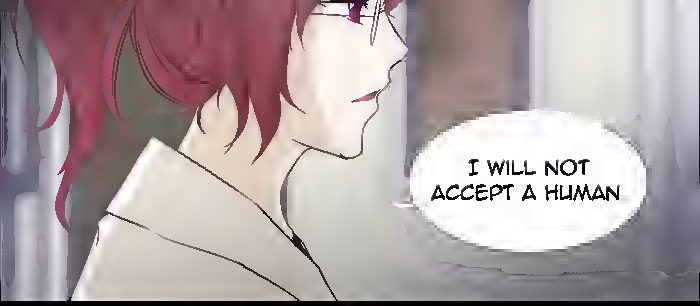

AND YOU LOOKED LIKE YOU WERE HIDING SOMETHING, TOO.

AT LEAST I KNOW NOW.
SORRY. I JUST.... I SHOULD'VE TOLD YOU EARLIER.

DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT. YOU JUST TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF FOR NOW, OK?
I KNOW THINGS MUSTN'T HAVE BEEN EASY FOR YOU...
I'LL... DEAL WITH SIA.

...WHAT DO YOU PLAN TO DO, MORAN.

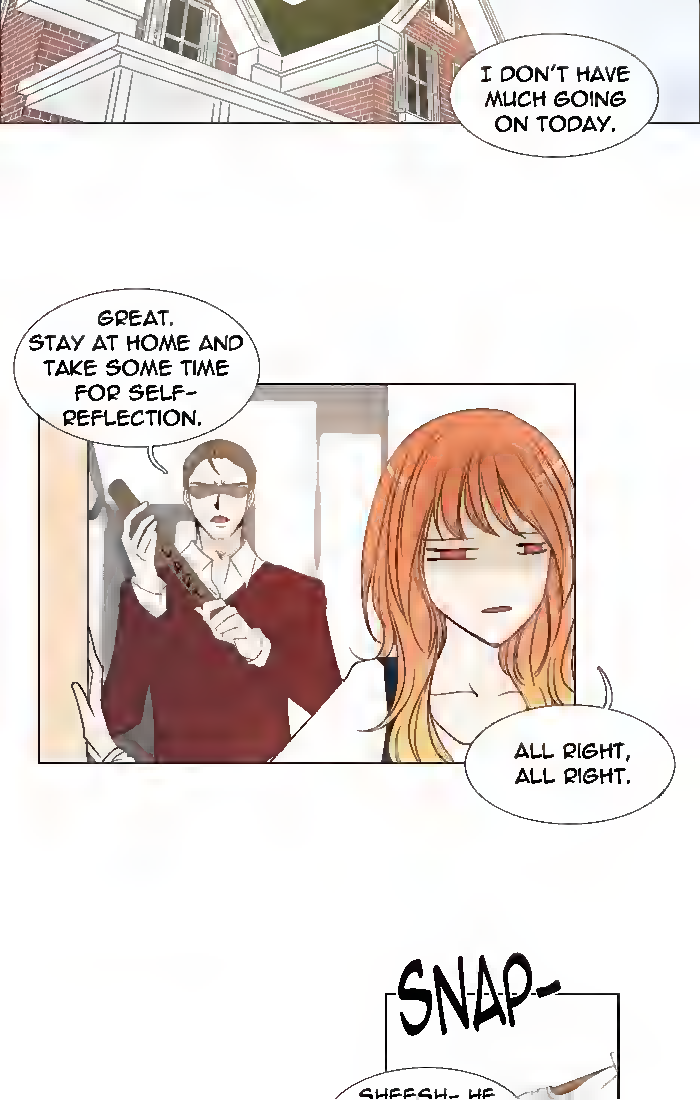
I CAN'T JUST SIT IDLY BY.


I WILL NOT
ACCEPT A HUMAN

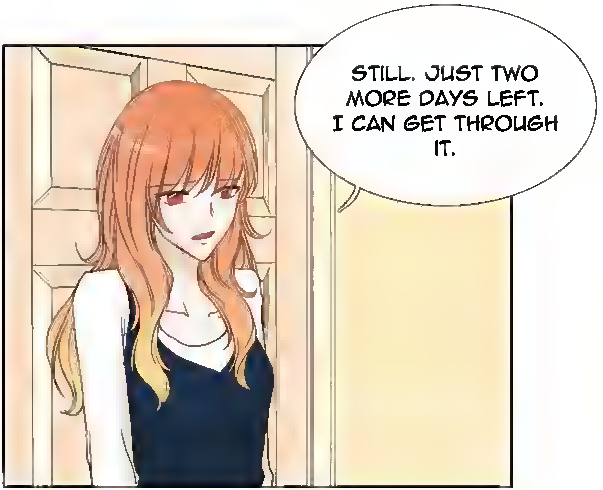
unTOUCHable

93. WHAT?

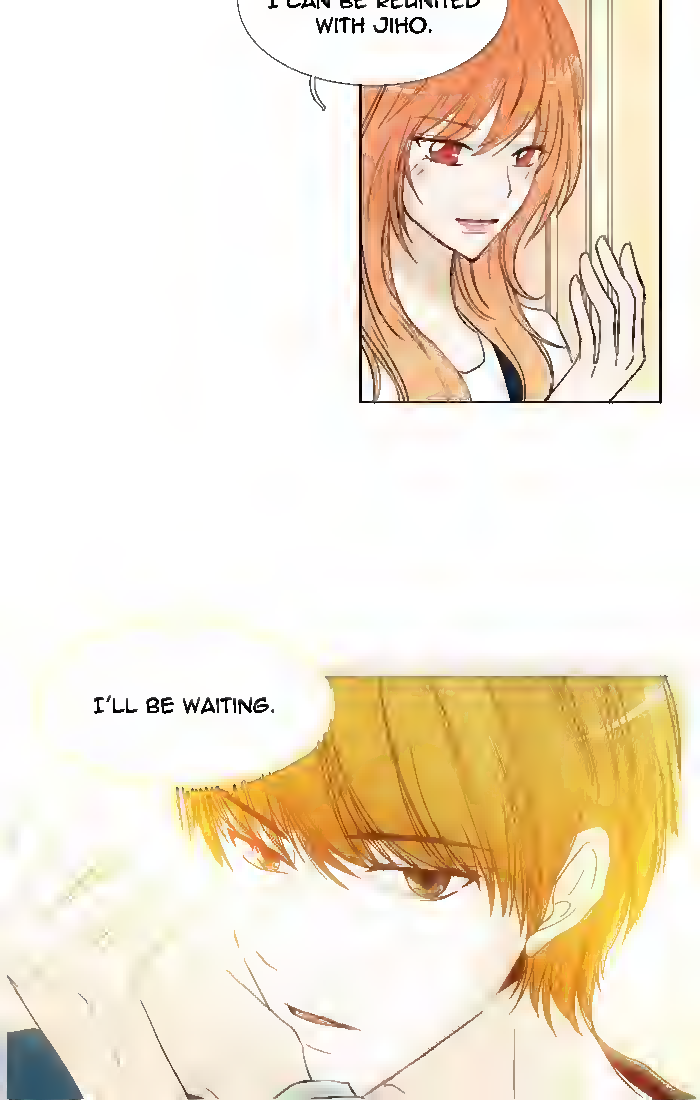
NOW, READ OUT YOUR SCHEDULE FOR TODAY.

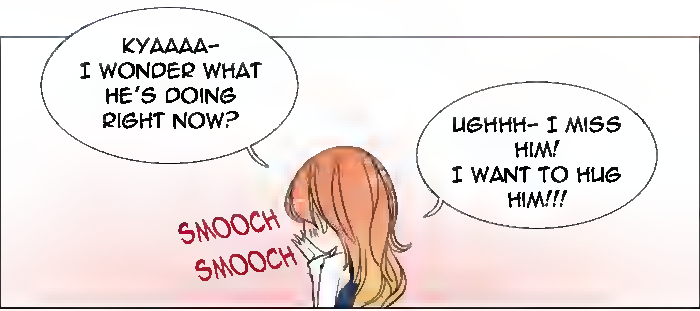

I DON'T HAVE MUCH GOING ON TODAY.
GREAT. STAY AT HOME AND TAKE SOME TIME FOR SELF-REFLECTION.
ALL RIGHT, ALL RIGHT.
SNAP-

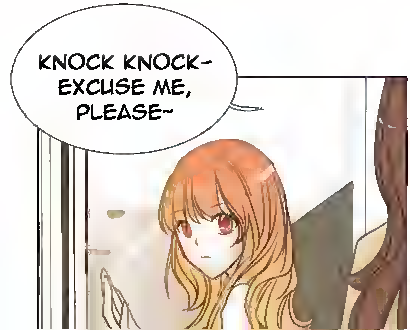
WON'T LET ME
OFF THE HOOK.


STILL. JUST TWO
MORE DAYS LEFT.
I CAN GET THROUGH
IT.

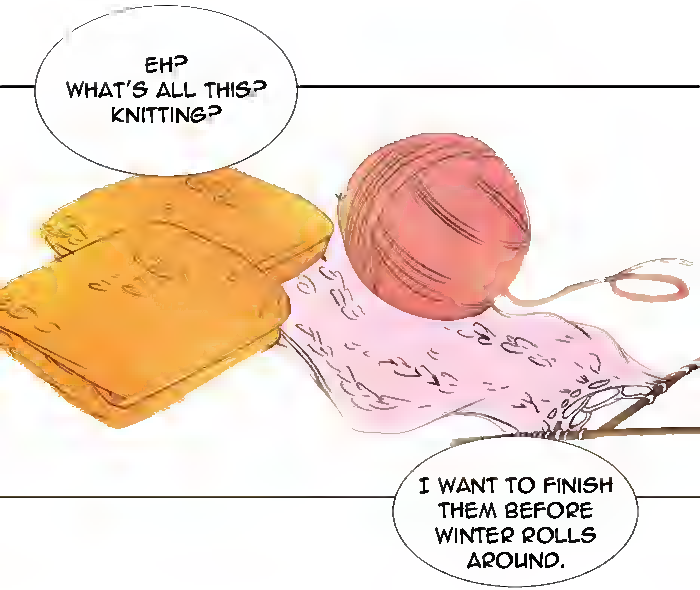
THEN

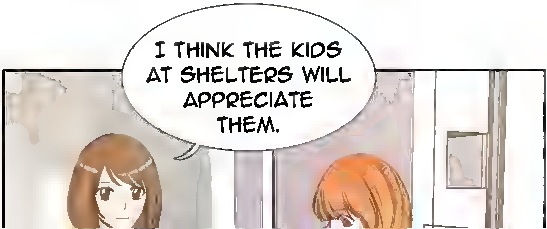

I CAN BE REUNITED WITH JIHO.
I'LL BE WAITING.

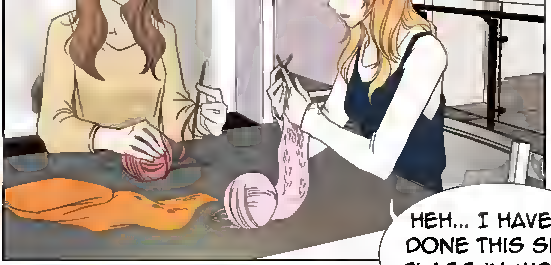

KYAAAA-
I WONDER WHAT
HE'S DOING
RIGHT NOW?
UGHHH- I MISS
HIM!
I WANT TO HUG
HIM!!!
SMOOCH
SMOOCH

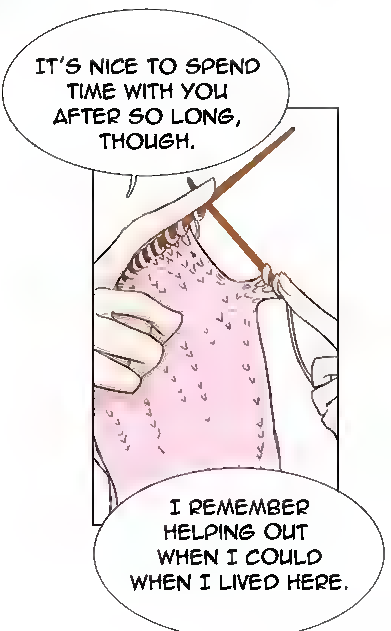

KNOCK KNOCK-
EXCUSE ME,
PLEASE~

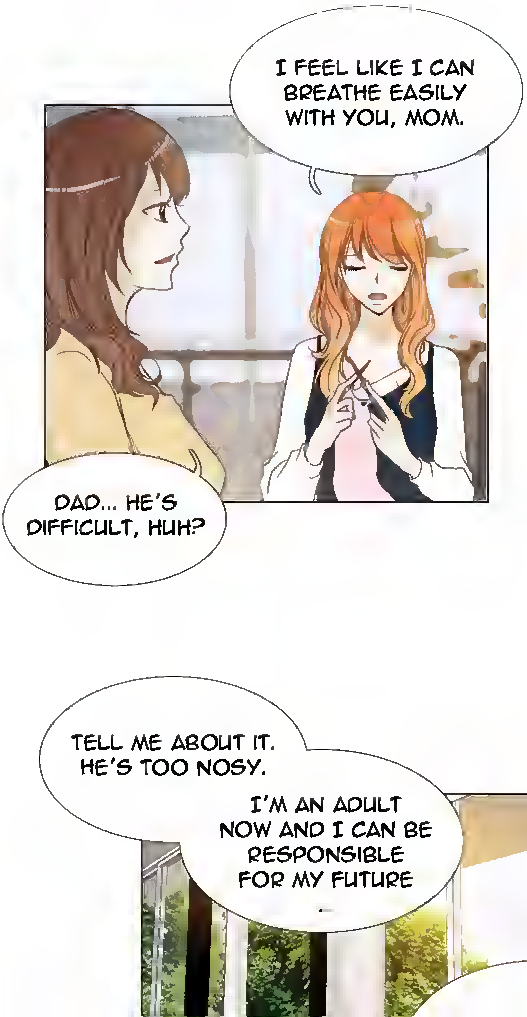
SIA, IF YOU'RE NOT TOO BUSY, DO YOU MIND HELPING ME OUT?

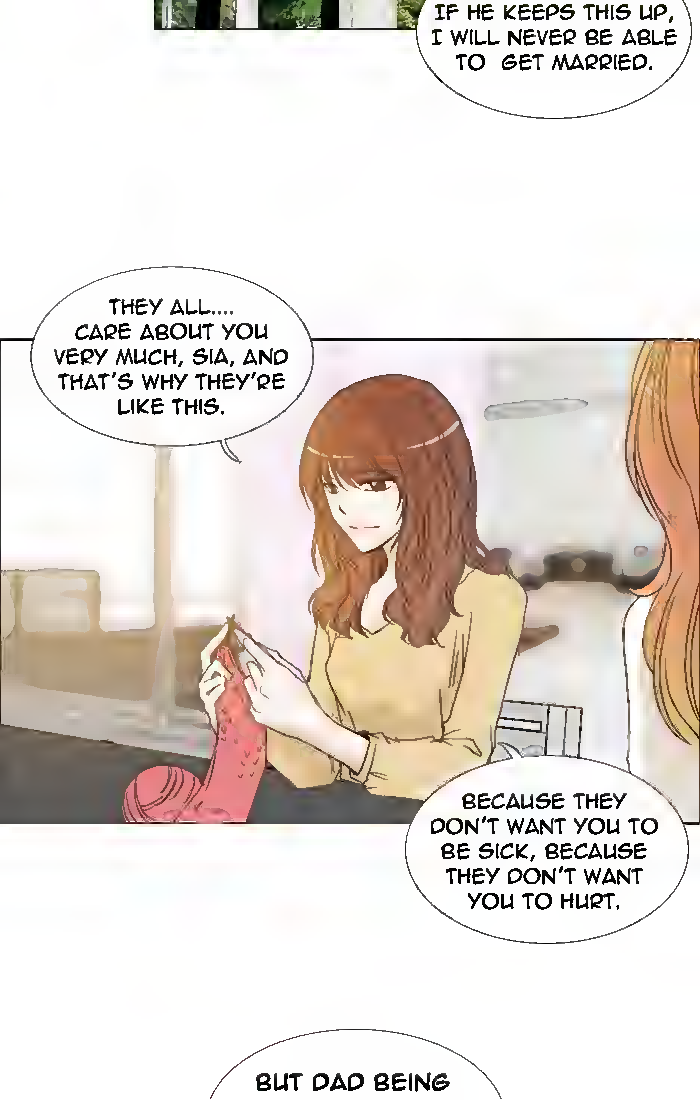

EH?
WHAT'S ALL THIS?
KNITTING?
I WANT TO FINISH THEM BEFORE WINTER ROLLS AROUND.

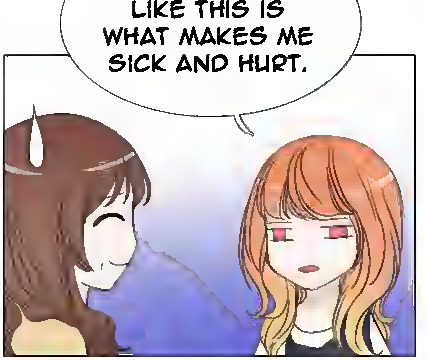

I THINK THE KIDS AT SHELTERS WILL APPRECIATE THEM.

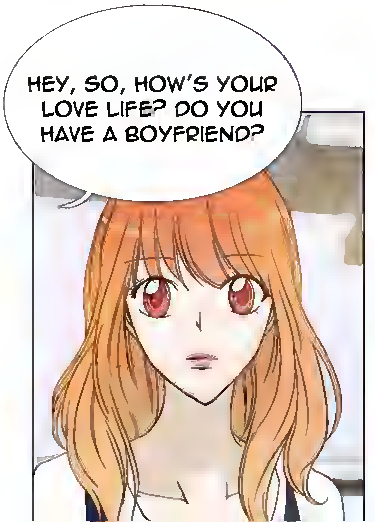

HEH... I HAVEN'T DONE THIS SINCE CLASS IN MIDDLE SCHOOL.

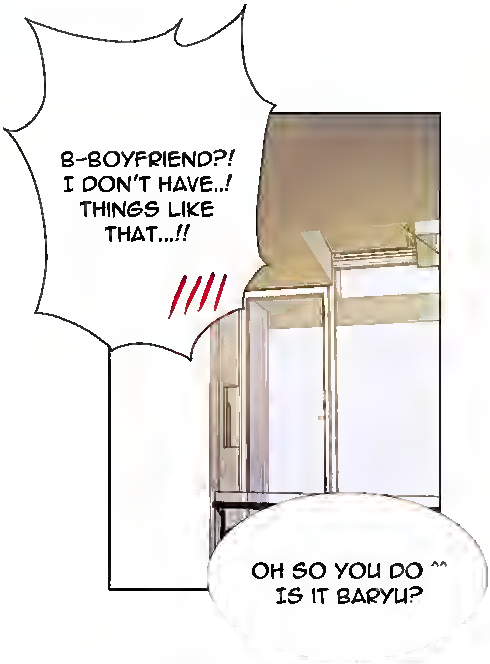

IT'S NICE TO SPEND TIME WITH YOU AFTER SO LONG, THOUGH.
I REMEMBER HELPING OUT WHEN I COULD WHEN I LIVED HERE.


I FEEL LIKE I CAN BREATHE EASILY WITH YOU, MOM.
DAD... HE'S DIFFICULT, HUH?
TELL ME ABOUT IT. HE'S TOO NOSY.
I'M AN ADULT NOW AND I CAN BE RESPONSIBLE FOR MY FUTURE

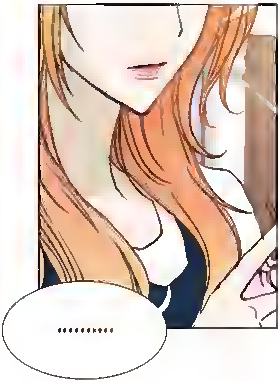

IF HE KEEPS THIS UP, I WILL NEVER BE ABLE TO GET MARRIED.
THEY ALL.... CARE ABOUT YOU VERY MUCH, SIA, AND THAT'S WHY THEY'RE LIKE THIS.
BECAUSE THEY DON'T WANT YOU TO BE SICK, BECAUSE THEY DON'T WANT YOU TO HURT.
BUT DAD BEING


LIKE THIS IS WHAT MAKES ME SICK AND HURT.


HEY, SO, HOW'S YOUR LOVE LIFE? DO YOU HAVE A BOYFRIEND?


B-BOYFRIEND?!
I DON'T HAVE..!
THINGS LIKE
THAT...!!
OH SO YOU DO ^^
IS IT BARYU?

..NO. BARYU IS....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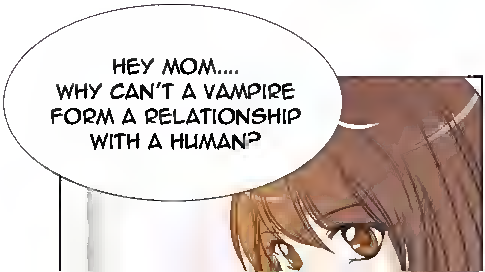
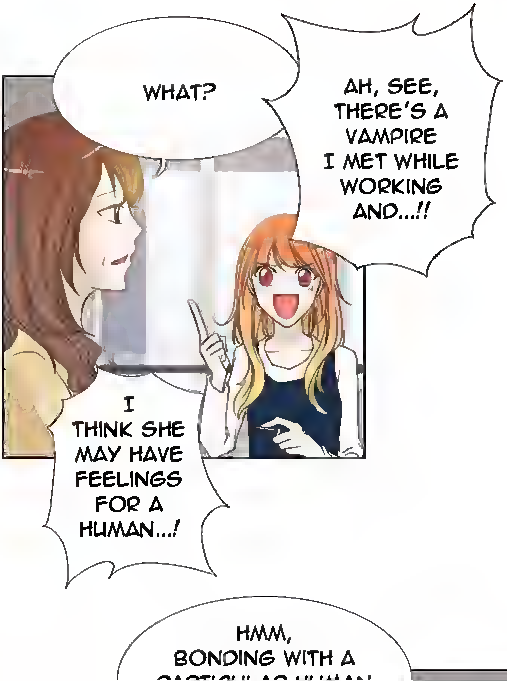

HEY MOM....
WHY CAN'T A VAMPIRE
FORM A RELATIONSHIP
WITH A HUMAN?

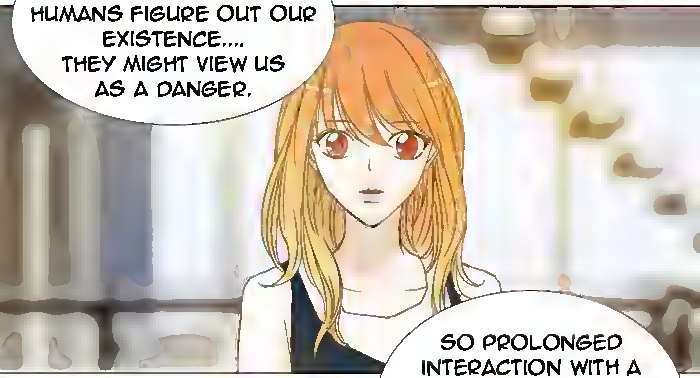

WHAT?
AH, SEE, THERE'S A VAMPIRE I MET WHILE WORKING AND...!!
I THINK SHE MAY HAVE FEELINGS FOR A HUMAN...!
HMM, BONDING WITH A

PARTICULAR HUMAN CAN BE DANGEROUS.
...
DANGEROUS ?
A LONG, LONG TIME AGO, WHEN OUR ANCESTORS WERE DRINKING HUMAN BLOOD...
WE WERE HUNTED, BECAUSE THEY THOUGHT WE WERE A THREAT.

THE SURVIVING VAMPIRES HAVE EVOLVED MUCH

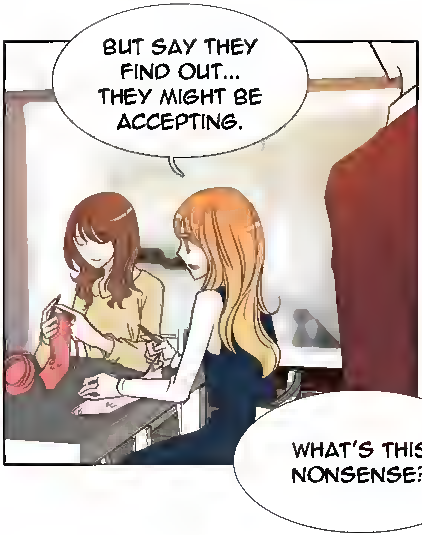
BUT WE STILL CANNOT LIVE IF WE DO NOT RELY ON HUMANS.

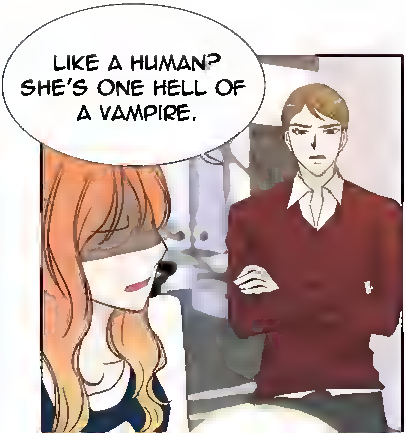
WHAT THAT ALSO IMPLIES IS THAT ONCE HUMANS FIGURE OUT OUR EXISTENCE.... THEY MIGHT VIEW US AS A DANGER.



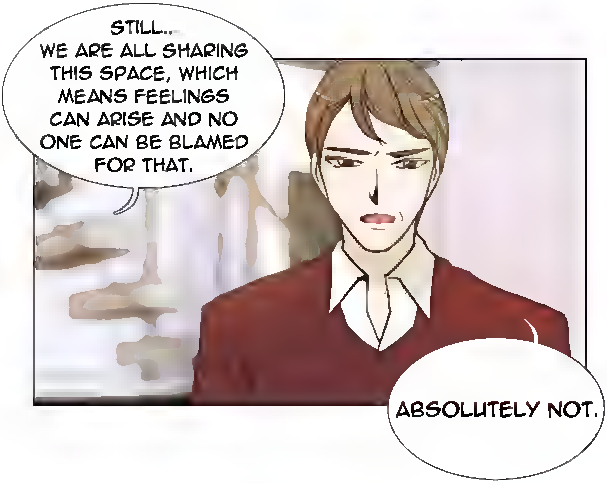
SO PROLONGED INTERACTION WITH A PARTICULAR HUMAN MEANS OUR COVER MIGHT GET BLOWN

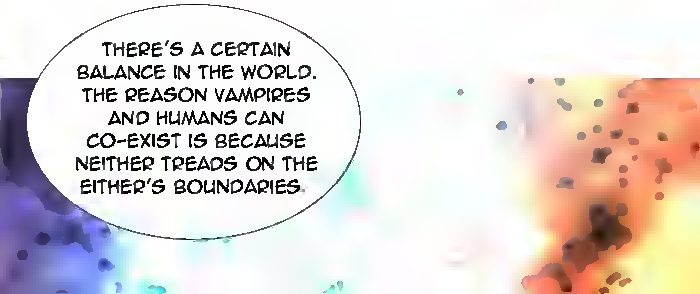
AT SOME POINT.

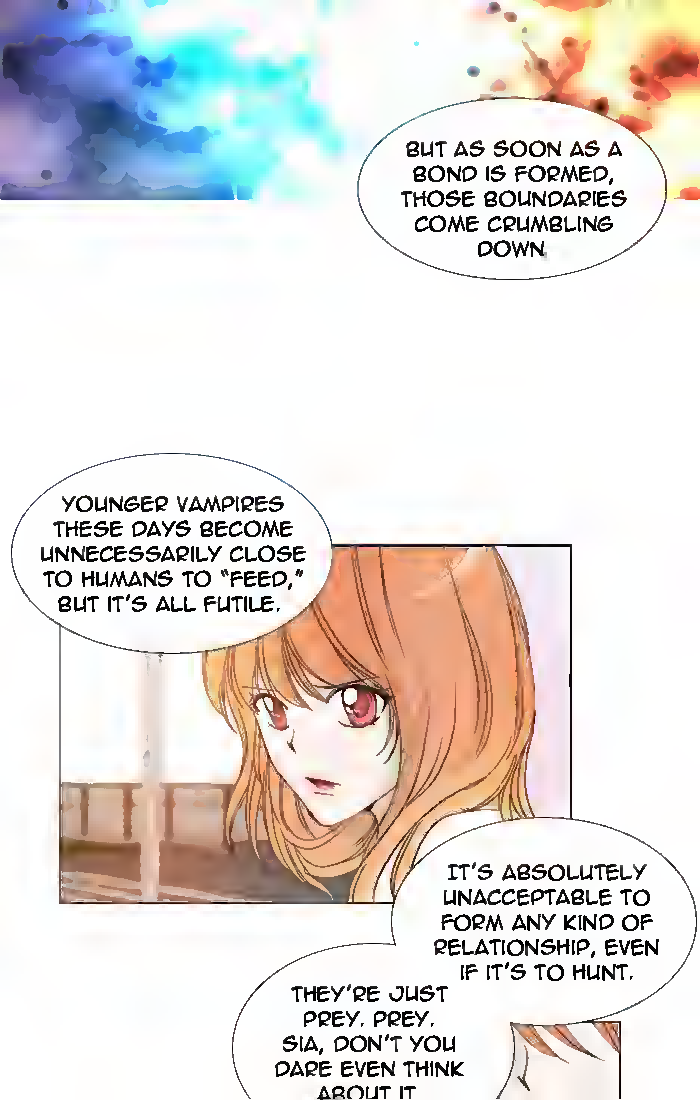




..UGH, DAD!

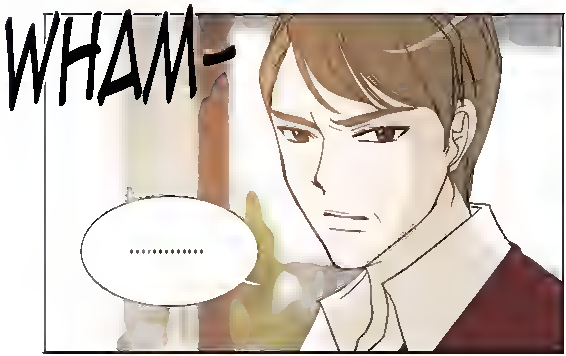

STILL..
WE ARE ALL SHARING THIS SPACE, WHICH MEANS FEELINGS CAN ARISE AND NO ONE CAN BE BLAMED FOR THAT.
ABSOLUTELY NOT.


THERE'S A CERTAIN BALANCE IN THE WORLD. THE REASON VAMPIRES AND HUMANS CAN CO-EXIST IS BECAUSE NEITHER TREADS ON THE EITHER'S BOUNDARIES.

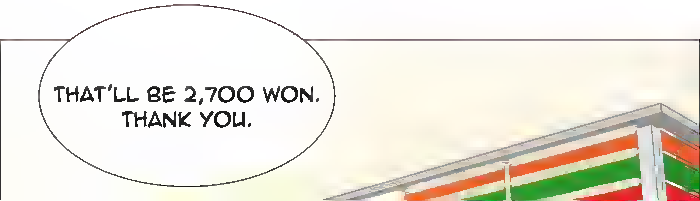

BUT AS SOON AS A BOND IS FORMED, THOSE BOUNDARIES COME CRUMBLING DOWN.
YOUNGER VAMPIRES THESE DAYS BECOME UNNECESSARILY CLOSE TO HUMANS TO "FEED," BUT IT'S ALL FUTILE.
IT'S ABSOLUTELY UNACCEPTABLE TO FORM ANY KIND OF RELATIONSHIP, EVEN IF IT'S TO HUNT.
THEY'RE JUST PREY. PREY. SIA, DON'T YOU DARE EVEN THINK ABOUT IT

GOT IT?
.....
SLAM-
I GOT IT. SO WOULD YOU STOP?
WHERE ARE YOU GOING? YOU NEED TO REPORT IT FIRST.

CAN'T I GO TO CONVENIENCE STORE ALONE?!

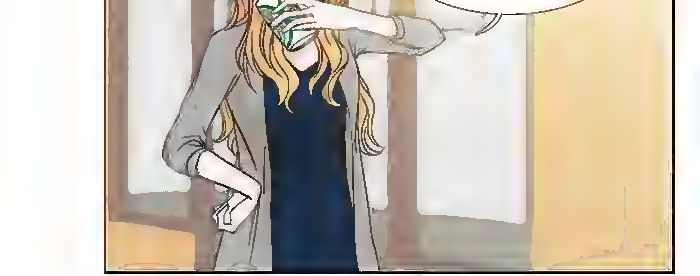

WHAM-
.....

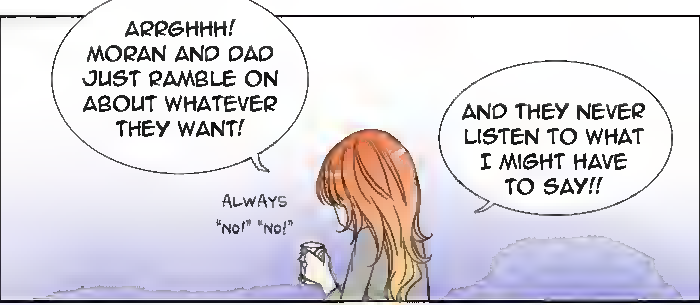
.. DON'T BE SO HARSH, HONEY. SIA IS A GROWN WOMAN NOW.
..I KNOW. BUT.
WE CANNOT... EASE UP JUST YET.

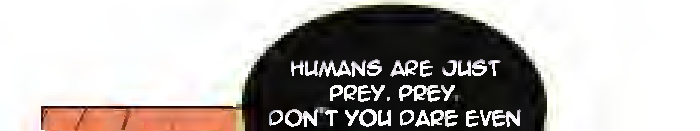

THAT'LL BE 2,700 WON.
THANK YOU.

GULP
GULP

KWAAAH-
WHEW- THAT FEELS BETTER.

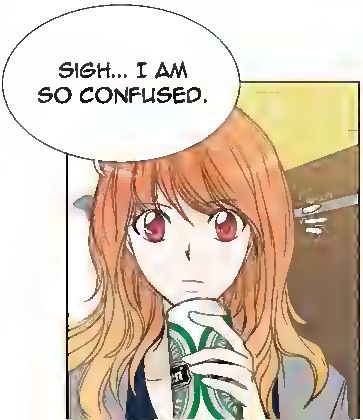



ARRGHHH! MORAN AND DAD JUST RAMBLE ON ABOUT WHATEVER THEY WANT!
ALWAYS "NO!" "NO!"
AND THEY NEVER LISTEN TO WHAT I MIGHT HAVE TO SAY!!

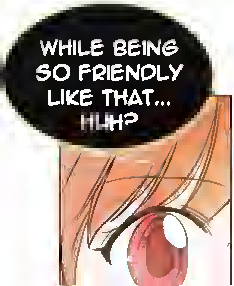

HUMANS ARE JUST PREY. PREY. DON'T YOU DARE EVEN

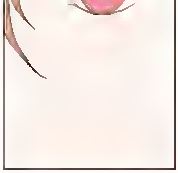
THINK ABOUT IT, SIA!
DON'T YOU THINK I KNOW? THAT HUMANS ARE PREY....
AND JIHO'S HUMAN, TOO... BUT...

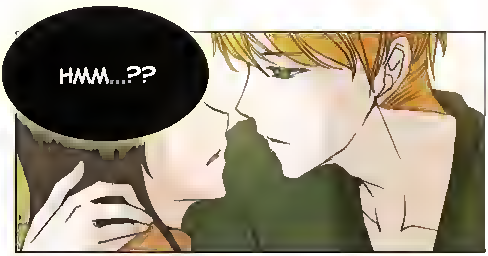
CAN HUMANS AND VAMPIRES NEVER BE TOGETHER?


SIGH... I AM SO CONFUSED.

EH? IT'S RAGI.
HE'S WITH A HUMAN...
IS SHE A FRIEND?
HE SHOULD BE
CAREFUL.
HE MIGHT RUN
INTO DAD.


WHILE BEING
SO FRIENDLY
LIKE THAT...
HUH?




HMM...??

OH???!!!!

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